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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the due date for filing the **Response to Office Action** dated June 12, 2003 be extended three months from **September 12, 2003** to **December 12, 2003**.

The requisite petition fee is believed to be \$475.00 for a three-month extension for a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), and such fee payment is included herewith. If additional extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038, referencing Docket No. 11533.0024.NPUS00.

Respectfully submitted,

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